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SUBJECT: 41 ST TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL: PAPUA NEW GUINEA

1. AUSTRALIAN DEPUTY PERM REP CAMPBELL , ACTING ON INSTRUCTIONS, INFORMED AMB. WHITE MAY 9 THAT AT OPENING MEETING OF FORTHCOMING TC SESSION AUSTRALIA WILL FORMALLY REQUEST POSTPONEMENT OF CONSIDERATION OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA UNTIL SEPTEMBER. CAMPBELL SAID THAT MAIN REASONS BEHIND REQUEST WERE: A) CERTAINTY THAT PNG HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY WOULD NOT AGREE BEFORE JULY AT EARLIES ON FIRM DATE FOR INDEPENDENCE; AND B) AUSTRALIAN UNWILLINGNESS TO ASK TC TO TERMINATE TRUSTEESHIP BEFORE INDEPENDENCE DATE SET. CAMPBELL NOTED THAT SINCE PNG NOW HAS FULL INTERNAL SELF- GOVERNMENT, AUSTRALIANS IN ANY CASE NO LONGER WILLING TO DISCUSS IN TC QUESTIONS OTHER THAN DEFENSE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS.
2. CAMPBELL SAID PAPUA NEW GUINEANS ABSOLUTELY OPPOSED TO ANOTHER UN VISITING MISSION BEFORE INDEPENDENCE AND WISHED ONLY MINIMAL UN PRESENCE AT INDEPENDENCE CEREMONY. CAMPBELL EXPECTS PNG GOVERNMENT TO INVITE TO CEREMONIES UN SYG OR HIS REP, (PROBABLY UNDER SYG TANG), CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE OF 24 AND TC REP. CAMPBELL ADMITTED THAT PNG GOVERNMENT AFRAID THAT TOO CONSPICUOUS A UN PRESENCE MIGHT STIMULATE SECESSIONIST ELEMENTS IN TERRITORY TO STAGE DEMONSTRATIONS IN ORDER TO EMBARRASS NEW GOVERNMENT INTERNATIONALLY.

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EM COMMENT: AUSTRALIAN REQUEST, IF AGREED TO BY TC, WILL

RESULT SIMPLY IN SHORTER TC SESSION THIS JUNE AND A ONE OR TWO DAY MEETING DEVOTED EXCLUSIVELY TO PNG JUST AS UNGA OPENS IN SEPTEMBER. IF WE INDICATE PROBPTELY TO AUSTRALIANS OUR WILLINGNESS TO AGREE TO POSTPONEMENT, WE WILL TEHN BE IN EXCELLENT POSITION TO REQUEST THEM TO GIVE ENEN MORE SYMPATHETIC TREATMENT TO OUR PRESENTATION IN TTPI THIS JUNE.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: AUTHORIZATION TO SUPPORT AUSTRALIAN MOTION FOR POSTPONEMENT OF TC DEBATE ON PNG. BENNETT

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